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1. LAST NIGHT'S MESSAGE FROM POLICE TO LORENZ KIDNAPPERS

(TEXT REPORTED REFTTEL) HAS PRODUCED RESPONSE WHICH MAKES IT CLEAR LORENZ STILL ALIVE AND PROVIDES AT LEAST SOME HOPE THAT CAPTORS PREPARED TO BE FLEXIBLE ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR AIRCRAFT DEPARTURE. MODIFIED DEMAND IS THAT PRISONERS WHO ARE TO BE RELEASED FROM BERLIN, ALONG WITH DESIGNATED HOSTAGE ALBERTZ, BE FLOWN MORNING OF MARCH 2 TO FRG, WHERE THEY WILL RENDEZVOUS WITH PRISONERS IN FRG FOR DETERMINATION OF WILLINGNESS TO AVAIL THEMSELVES OF COMANDEERED AIRCRAFT.

2. FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED BY TELEPHONE AT 0540 ARCH 2, POLICE PICKED UP "LETTER NO. 4" FROM A PUBLIC MAIL BOX. IN ADDITION TO CONTAINING CORRECT ANSWER TO QUESTION TELEVISED IN POLICE MESSAGE (IN WHAT CITY WAS MRS. LORENZ' WATCH PURCHASED?), LETTER WAS ACCOMPANIED BY CASSETTE RECORDING OF LORENZ VOICE.

3. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF LETTER. BEGIN TEXT.

MESSAGE #4

1. WE ACCEPT THE DECISIONS OF KROECHER AND MOHLER.

2. THE REVOLUTIONARY PRISONERS SIEPMAN, BECKER, HEISSLER AND POHLE ARE TO BE TAKEN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO FRANKFURT-MAIN. PASTOR ALBERTZ MUST FLY WITH THE BERLIN COMRADES. IN FRANKFURT THE COMRADES MUST HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK AMONG THEMSELVES UNOBSERVED. THEY MUST BE GIVEN ALL OF OUR PREVIOUS MESSAGES IN THIS MATTER. ALL FOUR COMRADES MUST THEN BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY AT THE BEGINNING OF THE 1245 WOCHENSCHAU/TAGESCHAU (TV NEWS) SUNDAY MARCH 2 TO STATE WHETHER OR NOT THEY WANT TO FLY.

3. HERR ALBERTZ AND THE COMRADES WHO HAVE STATED THAT THEY WANT TO BE FLOWN OUT WILL START BY 0900 MONDAY WITH A BOEING 707 AND A FOUR-MAN CREW. THE COMRADES ARE TO BE GIVEN THE MONEY DEMANDED-DM120,000.

4. REGARDING THE PROCEDURE FOR THE RELEASE OF LORENZ, P. LORENZ HAS SAID SOMETHING HIMSELF ON THE ENCLOSED CASSETTE. SO THAT WE WILL KNOW THAT THE STATE APPARATUS HAS UNCLASSIFIED

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RECEIVED THIS FOURTH MESSAGE, THE TEXT MUST BE READ IMMEDIATELY AFTER RECEIPT OVER RADIO STATION SFB.

SIGNED 2ND OF JUNE MOVEMENT

WRISTWATCH-MADRID

END TEXT.

4. FOLLOWING IS TRANSLATION OF POLICE TRANSCRIPT OF LORENZ CASSETTE: BEGIN TEXT.

THIS IS PETER LORENZ SPEAKING:

DEAR PASTOR ALBERTZ:

FIRST I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU THAT YOU HAVE DECLARED YOURSELF READY TO COOPERATE IN SECURING MY RELEASE. THE POLICE HAVE PROBABLY ASKED WHERE I BOUGHT MY WIFE'S WRIST-WATCH IN ORDER TO INSURE THAT I AM STILL ALIVE. MY ANSWER IS THAT I BOUGHT IT IN MADRID. YOU YOURSELF, PASTOR ALBERTZ, WOULD LIKE TO BE ASSURED THAT NO CATASTROPHE AS IN MUNICH WILL HAPPEN AND YOU WOULD THEREFORE LIKE TO KNOW HOW AND WHERE I SHOULD BE RELEASED.

MY GUARDS DO NOT SEE THEMSELVES IN A POSITION TO MAKE KNOWN THE CONDITIONS OF MY RELEASE BECAUSE THEY WOULD THEREBY ENDANGER THEMSELVES. THEY SAY THAT THEY COULD NOT HAVE ANY FAITH IN ANY GUARANTEE GIVEN BY THE POLICE. MY GUARDS HAVE NEVERTHELESS GIVEN ME THEIR WORD OF HONOR THAT, WHEN YOU, PASTOR ALBERTZ, ARE IN THE AIR ON THE RETURN TRIP TO GERMANY, I WILL BE IMMEDIATELY RELEASED WITHOUT HARM. I BELIEVE THAT MY GUARDS WILL KEEP THEIR WORD.

PLEASE GIVE MY WIFE MY HEARTFELT GREETINGS. END  
TEXT.GEORGE

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